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 For Judge of the Supreme Court,
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 For Food and Dairy Commissioner,
 JOSEPH E. BLAKBURN, of Belmont Co.
 For Member Board of Public Works,
 FRANK A. HUFFMAN, of Van Wert Co.

At the district convention at Charles-
 ton, W. Va., both delegates elected are
 for McKinley for President and the
 platform adopted demands a return to
 the McKinley tariff.

SPEAKER Reed, as a presidential can-
 didate, is in the position of the man
 who "didn't want it anyhow." The
 nomination is practically made—it will
 be McKinley on the first ballot.

MUSKINGUM, Morgan and Guernsey
 counties select delegates to the Con-
 gressional convention today. Muskin-
 gum and Guernsey by primary election
 and Morgan by mass convention.

In Cincinnati a city official figures it
 that the vote of every woman for mem-
 ber of the Board of Education will
 cost the city five dollars. The ladies
 always did come high, but we must
 have them.

AFTER today, when Muskingum,
 Guernsey and Morgan counties will se-
 lect their delegates, the Congressional
 situation in this district will assume
 definite shape. As it stands now Hon.
 T. F. Davis, of this county, has a solid
 delegation of 50 votes as a starter.
 Noble county's 25 delegates have been
 chosen by the Republican Central Com-
 mittee, which body instructed them to
 vote for VanVoorhis. However, it is
 thought Noble's delegation may find it
 a matter of policy to split up between
 the three candidates, giving each a
 share of her vote.

In Guernsey county the opposition to
 Hon. D. D. Taylor appears to have
 weakened and there is little doubt that
 he will have his county's 36 votes
 solid. In some precincts in Musking-
 um there is opposition to the Van
 Voorhis delegates, and, though it is
 reasonable to assume that he will have
 the 67 to which that county is entitled,
 it is, of course, hoped by his opponents
 that a few anti-VanVoorhis men will
 slip in.

The chief interest centers in the re-
 sult in Morgan county, where the dele-
 gation of 34 will be chosen by mass
 convention. Should Morgan declare
 for VanVoorhis, it will be all up with
 the other candidates, but that she will
 do so is hardly probable. Morgan is
 noted as a county in which the silver
 idea in finance largely prevails. On
 this question it is perhaps more direct-
 ly opposed to VanVoorhis than any
 other county in the district, but the
 outcome of a mass convention, like the
 verdict of a petit jury, can never be
 foretold.

The nomination, so far as can be
 judged at present, does not appear to
 be within the reach of either candi-
 date. In the matter of the unalterable
 support of a solid home delegation,
 Mr. Davis is more certain of his position
 than either Mr. VanVoorhis or
 Mr. Taylor. A panoramic view of the
 situation at this stage indicates that
 the Washington county man's chances
 are more than good and his friends
 throughout the district are encouraged
 in the belief that he will finish a win-
 ner.

HARD CIDER SELLERS

Will Hereafter Have to Pay the Dow Tax.
 Columbus, O., March 26.—The real
 purpose of the bill introduced by Mr.
 Hinsdale which recently became a law
 was learned today when Auditor of
 State Guilbert construed the intention
 of the act. He gave his opinion of the
 law at the request of Auditor Holliday,
 of Franklin county. The purpose of
 the bill is to make the people who sell
 hard cider by the drink pay the Dow
 tax. Mr. Guilbert held that any per-
 son selling cider in quantities of less
 than one gallon is subject to the Dow
 tax, but where he sells cider in quan-
 tities of over one gallon he shall not be
 subject to the Dow tax.

Oil Men Protest.

Columbus, Ohio, March 26.—A dele-
 gation of about 50 oil operators to-night
 protested to the House Committee on
 Taxation against any additional tax
 upon the oil business. They said the
 oil business already pays its full share
 of county and state taxes, and more in
 proportion than any industry in the
 state. Those who spoke for the oil
 men were S. M. Jones, of Toledo, Pres-
 ident of the Western Oil Men's Asso-
 ciation; Colonel J. J. Carter, one of the
 largest operators in the country, who
 is now working in the Monroe County
 field; ex-Senator McConea, of Findlay;
 J. H. Watt, of Barnesville, and S. S.
 Wheeler, of Lima.

IN THE OIL FIELDS.

Litigation, legal decisions and threat-
 ened litigation make lively the oil
 man's life in dull times, when field
 operations are at a standstill. Es-
 pecially litigious has been this present
 year of grace and the Ohio legislature
 is trying to put on various taxes on
 leases, wells, royalty, exise, etc., in
 such great number as to end, no doubt,
 in all their efforts being defeated.
 Just why the oil business should pay a
 tax on every barrel produced, as one
 bill provided, no one can reasonably ex-
 plain, but that a reasonable tax is due
 from them no one can deny, and no
 operator will be found who objects to
 paying. The great objection in the
 past is that while ordinary farm prop-
 erties were appraised at from 40 to 60
 per cent of their value, the leases were
 assessed in most cases, at an amount
 for which they could not be sold. It is
 hoped that in applying the new law
 now pending the inquirers will use
 some discretion in making the apprais-
 al and thereby avoid the expensive
 litigation that is sure to follow it other-
 wise.

The region east of Moundsville where
 the big gasser struck some time ago
 first engaged public attention, seems
 now likely to become a section of gush-
 ers. The North Penn Oil Co. are the
 fortunate ones. Their wildcat on the
 Rogerson farm is in and claimed a 50
 barrel producer. Dr. Cook, of New
 Martinsville has the well on his farm
 down 1200 feet. A. E. and M. A. Prost
 of the same place are now suing the
 South Penn Oil Co. to recover royalty
 and other interests from their land in
 the Archer's Fork section.

North of the Kyle pool in West Vir-
 ginia the Carter Oil Co. has a roaring
 gasser on the Stoneker farm and have
 been unable to drill it in. All the im-
 portant test wells in that region are
 behind time and several days will
 elapse before anything of note is due.

In the territory above Waverly the
 Henry Oil company's No. 2 Corbett has
 been completed and is light.

The owners of the Angus well on
 Calf creek have decided to put it to
 pumping from the Cow Run sand.

Southwest of the Dye Brooks pool on
 Middle Island creek Capt. J. T. Jones
 has drilled in his test well on the His-
 son farm and, aside from a good gas
 pressure, has found nothing.

Things in our own county are at a
 standstill, though preparations for a
 busy spring are being made. A Wheel-
 ing company is taking up a block of
 land near Quarry and will drill a well
 there immediately. There are two
 wells there about due and interest in
 that section is increasing.

In the shallow field at Armstrong's
 Mills another well has been completed
 and a 2 barrel producer is the result.
 The oil is found at a depth of 200 feet
 and is a clear amber.

Two new wells are being drilled in
 the Barnesville field, J. C. McCreo doing
 the contracting. They are to develop
 part of the Ohio Oil company's leases.
 The Benwood section is to receive
 quite an amount of attention this year.
 The Henry Oil Co. intend giving a
 thorough test to their block near there
 and the indications for better wells
 than the Holtslaw are good.

It is reported that a well will soon
 be drilled on the Groathouse place near
 Cameron. Ought to be some oil there,
 if they can find it. The local company
 at Jerles have purchased machinery
 and their prospective test seems to be
 on the boom.

Colerain has just received a nice dis-
 colored optic. Starbuck No. 2 is dry
 and the sadness is intense.

The Henry Oil Co. are drilling Steele
 No. 3 in the Calebaugh pool and Finne-
 gan & Wilson are down 450 in their No.
 6 Hensel.

The rig for No. 2 Delaplain is up and
 work will begin ere long. It is south-
 west of No. 1, in which a small show-
 ing of oil was found.—[Spirit]

CATS CREEK.—Since Dreamer No. 1
 on the Rubrecht farm and well No. 2,
 on the Owen farm came in so success-
 fully and made such an excellent
 showing oil operations are being pushed
 with energy.

At Vaughn began drilling his No. 3
 well on the Rubrecht farm on Tuesday
 a short distance from No. 1.

Trapp & Geddes are drilling on the
 Isaac Reed farm and at this writing
 have reached a depth of about two
 hundred feet.

A rig is in the process of erection on
 the Dixon farm and the necessary tools
 etc. were moved in Tuesday and well
 No. 4 will be drilled at once. The Dixon
 and Rubrecht leases lie near to-
 gether and the prospects are that a
 fair oil field will be developed.

Only \$1.50 to Zanesville and return,
 Monday, March 30th, via Z. & O. R. R.

Prisoner's Retorts.

Prisoners have a fair proportion of
 "happy answers" credited to them. Of
 these, perhaps, the best known are
 those of the man who, when asked if
 he pleaded "guilty or not guilty," re-
 plied that he couldn't say until he had
 heard the evidence; and the naive re-
 sponse of the prisoner to the usual
 question before sentence: "Have you
 anything to say, prisoner, before sen-
 tence is pronounced upon you?" "It's
 very kind of your honor, and if it's
 quite agreeable to the court I should
 like to say 'good evening.'"

The U. S. Gov't Reports
 show Royal Baking Powder
 superior to all others.

JUMBO AND THE LAW.

A Deputy Sheriff Out After the Great
 Elephant.

It was eight or nine years ago, and
 the cars containing the animals were
 unloaded near the Canal street freight
 house, says the Providence Journal.
 The animals were guided across a
 exchange place by attendants, and the
 elephants went along very peacefully.
 They hadn't gone a great distance,
 however, when Jumbo's back began
 to itch. The big elephant tried to reach
 the place with his trunk, but didn't
 manage to. So he stepped from the
 line and looked for some suitable place
 against which to rub his back. "There
 were two objects in sight—a big flag-
 staff and Paddy Burns' shanty, which
 stood in the rear of the Three Ones'
 fire station. Jumbo picked out the
 shanty, and by the time he had re-
 lieved his feelings things inside were
 upside down, and the building had
 nearly been removed from its founda-
 tions and shoved into the water.

Paddy Burns looked for a lawyer,
 and found the late Ambrose E. West.
 The attorney issued a writ and gave
 it to a deputy sheriff, with instructions
 to attach Jumbo. The officer present-
 ed the paper to the treasurer of the
 circus and then took up a position
 near the elephant, but out of the reach
 of the swing of his trunk.
 The bill for damages was promptly
 settled, but the officer said afterward
 that if the animal had decided to walk
 away he hadn't any idea how he could
 have proceeded to enforce the law by
 compelling him to remain.

A DETECTIVE MYSTERY.

Was the Noted Sleuth Himself a Success-
 ful Bank Cracker.

"The most mysterious affair I ever
 knew in detective circles," said a well-
 known sleuth to a Washington Star
 writer, "was a case in the west. A
 detective had become famous by reason
 of his success in ferreting out heavy
 robberies. It seemed that none of the
 professionals could escape when he
 once started upon their trails. After
 a time all such cases were placed in
 his hands. The first one that he could
 not discover the thief was a big bank
 robbery, then after a year or two
 another, then another; his reputation
 was suffering, but it was still good,
 as during the same period he was suc-
 cessful in other difficult cases. He was
 taken sick with fever, and while de-
 lirious told how he himself had per-
 petrated the robberies, describing every
 movement in detail. When he recov-
 ered, it was claimed that his failure
 to unravel the mysteries had caused
 the raving confessions, but other men
 were put upon them, and they failed
 to find any clew whatever. The detec-
 tive retired and lives in elegant style,
 but whether or not he was as success-
 ful in eluding law as in enforcing it
 will probably never really be known."

QUEEN VICTORIA DRESSED UP.

She Is Then Quite Royal in Appearance,
 But Otherwise Only Ordinary.

Queen Victoria, in her best bib and
 tucker, is still a very good-looking
 woman. In the hideous bonnets and
 old-fashioned shawls the queen so con-
 stantly wears when not "on exhibi-
 tion" she gives one the impression of
 being merely a nice, cozy motherly old
 lady whose whole life's interest is cen-
 tered in her family. One would never
 suspect her of being able to rise to the
 occasion and look the part of queen.
 With the assumption of court finery,
 however, says the Philadelphia Times,
 Victoria dons her homely manners and
 becomes at once the personification of
 a gracious sovereign.

To those who have seen her in both
 characters the metamorphosis has
 seemed little short of a miracle. On
 account of the queen's lack of height
 she is rarely photographed standing;
 for though she scarcely measures five
 feet, her waist line is abnormally long,
 so when she is seated she gives one the
 impression of being a tall woman—an
 advantage the vanity of any woman,
 even a queen, would never ignore.

Equal to the Emergency.

They are telling the story in London
 that the impossible American in Paris
 alighted at a hotel to find it absolutely
 full. "I have nothing," expostulated
 the host, almost tearfully, "nothing."
 The first floor is taken by the king of
 the Ostenders; the queen of Montegaria
 occupies the second; the duke of Cotonopolis
 is sharing the third floor with the
 caliph of Port Said, and the crown
 prince of Nova Esperanza is
 sleeping on the billiard table. As for
 myself, I have to make up a bed in the
 office, and there only remains the
 chamber of my daughter. Of course—"Is
 that your daughter?" interrupted
 the American, pointing to the young
 lady at the desk. "Yes, sir." "All
 right; I'll marry her after lunch."
 And, giving his valise to the speechless
 boniface, he added: "Now, you can take
 my baggage up to our room."

SHREWD YOUNGSTER.



Mother—Tommy, why don't you
 give your little brother half of your
 apple?
 Tommy—Can't do it, ma. Father
 tells me never to do things by halves.
 —Texas Siftings.

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 MR. EDITOR: Will you please announce the
 undersigned to be a candidate for the office of
 City Solicitor, subject to the will of the voters
 at the coming Spring election?
 CHARLES W. RICHARDS.

MR. EDITOR: Please announce that I will be
 a candidate for re-election to the office of City
 Solicitor, at the coming April election.
 J. C. BRENNAN.

CITY CIVIL ENGINEER:
 EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce my name
 for the office of City Civil Engineer, subject to
 the vote of the people at the April election.
 W. P. MASON.

EDITOR LEADER:
 Please announce my name as a candidate
 for re-election to the office of City Engineer.
 E. FRANK GATES.

COUNCILMAN.
 EDITOR LEADER:—Kindly announce through
 your columns the fact that Mr. Phillip B.
 Peters, the present efficient member of Council
 from the Fourth Ward, will be a candidate
 for re-election.
 APPRECIATIVE VOTERS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Will you announce in your
 paper my name for the office of Councilman
 for the Fourth ward?
 DR. J. C. HARDY.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce the name
 of Frank Weber as a candidate for re-election
 to Council from the Second Ward.
 MANY TAXPAYERS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Will you state through
 your columns that B. F. Wood will be a candi-
 date for the office of Councilman from the
 Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters
 at the coming April Election.

TAX PAYERS.
 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

EDITOR LEADER:—Will you announce the
 name of B. E. Guyton for the office of Justice
 of the Peace, and oblige
 MANY FRIENDS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce my name
 as a candidate for the office of Justice of
 the Peace in Marietta township, and oblige
 MILLER H. HART.

MAYOR.
 EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce my name
 as a candidate for Mayor of the city of Mari-
 etta at the coming spring election, subject to
 the will of the voters.
 H. F. KRAFT.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce in your
 columns that Mayor Jewett Palmer will be a
 candidate for re-election at the next municipal
 election.
 VOTERS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please say in your paper
 that I am a candidate for the office of Mayor
 of the City of Marietta, subject to the will of
 the voters at the April Election.
 EDW. MEISENHOLDER.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce the
 name of Charles H. Newton as a Candidate
 for Township Clerk of Marietta Township,
 subject to the decision of the voters at the
 April election.
 HIS FRIENDS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce the
 name of J. W. Sturgiss as a candidate for the
 office of Clerk of Marietta Township, and
 oblige
 MANY FRIENDS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Will you announce the
 name of the undersigned as a candidate for
 the office of Trustee of Marietta Township,
 subject to the will of the voters at the April
 Election.
 JOHN T. BELL.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce the
 name of William Harsha as a candidate for
 Township Trustee at the Spring election.
 MANY VOTERS.

EDITOR LEADER:
 Will you kindly announce that Mrs. Helen
 Morgan, Fifth Street, will be a candidate for
 member of Board of Education, Marietta, sub-
 ject to the will of the voters at the coming
 election.
 VOTERS OF THE CITY.

FOR SHERIFF.
 EDITOR LEADER:—Please announce the
 name of George A. Shapley, of Grandview, as
 a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to
 the will of the voters.
 HIS FRIENDS.

EDITOR LEADER:—Please state in the Leader
 that Christopher J. Pfaff, of Adams township,
 will be a candidate before the county con-
 vention for the office of Sheriff.
 VOTERS.

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